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Attorney Docket No. 101.0059-02000
Customer No. 22882

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Confirmation No.: 4939
Gary K. Michelson)	
Serial No.: 09/674,971)	Group Art Unit: 3738
Filed: September 30, 2003)	Examiner: David Willse
For: METHOD FOR INSERTING AN)	
INTERBODY SPINAL FUSION)	
IMPLANT HAVING A REDUCED)	
WIDTH AND AN ANATOMICALLY)	
CONFORMED TRAILING END)	
(as amended))	

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Sir:

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated August 12, 2004, Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute claims 29-49 drawn to Species I, Fig. 6B and Species A, Figs. 6C, 7A, and 7B. In addition, the following amendments and remarks are submitted:

Amendments to the Title begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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